Import of Finished Formulations

1451. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the finished formulations which accounted for an import of more than Rs. 40 lakhs at CIF price during 1990-91 and 1991-92;

(b) what was the quantity and value of import of each formulation and who are the major importers and what was the quantity and value of their imports;

(c) what steps have been taken by Government to discourage such imports;

(d) whether it is a fact that the least his Ministry would have done is to give publicity to the list and send it to the research labs; and

(e) what action is proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) A list of finished formulations, with more than 40 lakhs CIF value, imported during 1990-91 and 1991-92, as furnished by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is given in the Statement I & II. (*See* below)

(b) Quantities and values of imports, company wise, are not being monitored.

(c) to (e) Indigenous industry has the technologies to manufacture formulations of almost all dosage forms and only about 1 per cent of the domestic requirement in medicine is being met through imports. Manufacture of formulations for import substitution generally depends on availability of the related bulk drugs, economic viability, future demand for the drug in the country, corporate strategies etc. Once such manufacture commences, Government discourages their imports by making necessary adjustments in the tariff mechanism.

Statement-I

Import from April 1990-91

List of formulations having an import above Rs. 40 lacs.

Formulation.

1. Adriblastina Inj. (19 mg. & 50 mg.)
2. Acyclovir Tab. 200 mg.
3. Antabuse
4. Blecmycin Inj.
5. Cataline Tablets
6. Cisplatimum Inj. (10 mg. & 50 mg.)
7. Desferal Injection
8. Estoside Injection
9. Flufouracil Injection
10. Insulin
11. Normal Human Serum Albumin
12. Pam Injection
13. Pergonal Injection
14. Sinamet Tablets (100 mg., 110 mg, 125 mg, 250 mg, 275 mg)
15. Streptoknase Injection
16. San dimmune Oral Suspension
17. Hepatitis B vaccine
18. O.P.V.
19. Urokinase

Statement—II

Bombay Port: Imports from April 1991 to Feb. 1992

List of Formulations having an Import above Rs. 40 lacs

1. Adriblastine Injection (10 mg & 59 mg)
2. Anti Hamophilic Factor (VIII & IX)
3. Acyclovir Injection
4. Anti D Immunoglubin Injection
5. Anti Titanus Normal Human Immunoglobulin
6. Bleomycin Injection
7. Cisplatinum Injection
8. Diptheria Anti toxin
9. Empirubicin Injection (10 mg/ 50 mg)

10. Human Albumin
11. Insulin Injection
12. Iolexol
13. Lactulose Syrup
14. Metrodine Amp.
15. PAM Injection
16. Paragonal Injection (75 I.U. and 150 I.U.)
17. Sinamet Tablets (110 mg/25 mg/ 275 mg)
18. Sulprostone Injection
19. San dimmune Oral Suspension
20. Urokinase Injection.

Whole sale price index for medicines

1452. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN: SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that under the proposed policy manufacturers are proposed to be given freedom to increase the prices to the extent of 70 per cent of the whole sale price index for all commodities;

(b) if so, what is the whole sale price index for medicines and all other commodities taken together during the last three years;

(c) whether it is a fact that Government have received suggestions to limit increase or 70 per cent of increase in whole sale price index whichever is lower;

(d) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto;

(e) what are the names of drugs covered presently under whole sale price index;

(f) whether Government have done any exercise to study the impact of this proposal; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (d), (f) and (d) In order to stream-line and simplify the procedures involved in fixing/ revising the prices of bulk drugs and formulations, various measures including linking the increase in prices of bulk drugs and formulations to increase in whole sale price index (all commodities) are under consideration of the Government.

(e) The names of drugs and medicines presently in the basket of whole sale price index are given in the Statement.

Statement I

Sl. No.	Names of Drugs and Medicines for whole sale price index
1	2
1.	Vitamin tablets (A, B, C, D and Others)
2.	Vitamin Capsules
3.	Vitamin liquids
4.	Chloramphenicol
5.	Penicillin (Vials, tablets & other products)
6.	Streptomycin (Vials & Other Products)
7.	Tetracycline (In capsules, vials and others)